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DHEW REQUESTS EMBASSY DISCUSS FOLLOWING WITH WELFARE FOUNDATION AND MINISTRY OF HEALTH:

1. DHEW HAS HELD INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SEVERAL ORGANIZATIONS CAPABLE OF PROVIDING COMPETENT RECRUITMENT EFFORTS ON BEHALF CHILDREN'S WELFARE FOUNDATION (CWF). CONSIDERABLE INTEREST SHOWN IN PROVIDING THIS SERVICE, NOT ONLY TO CWF, BUT ALSO MINISTRY OF HEALTH SHOULD LATTER REQUEST SUCH ASSISTANCE.

2. DURING MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEE ON MANPOWER AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION, DIRECTOR GENERAL SAGHAFI DISCUSSED WITH JAMES KING, DHEW, IRAN'S NEED FOR HELP IN HEALTH MANPOWER DEVELOPMENT WHICH INCLUDED OBTAINING TRAINING OPPORTUNI-UNCLASSIFIED

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TIES IN U.S., AS WELL AS SENDING SPECIALISTS

TO IRAN TO ASSIST IN TRAINING. INTEREST EXPRESSED BY SAGHAFI WAS FOR ASSISTANCE OF MAJOR EXTENT.

- 3. DHEW CONSIDERS THAT IT WOULD BE OF GREAT VALUE TO MINISTRY OF HEALTH, AS WELL AS ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS CWF, IF FOCAL POINT ESTABLISHED IN U.S. FOR RECRUITMENT AND, IF NECESSARY, PROCESSING APPROPRIATE HEALTH MANPOWER FOR IRAN.
- 4. NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL HEALTH WHICH IS CONSORTIUM OF MANY MAJOR HEALTH ASSOCIATIONS, IS ONE POSSIBLE RESOURCE WHICH COULD BE UTILIZED. AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION IS ANOTHER. THESE ASSOCIATIONS HAVE CAPABILITY TO DRAW UPON ALL PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS, PRIVATE RECRUITMENT AGENCIES, UNIVERSITIES, ETC. DHEW WOULD ENDORSE ORGANIZATION OF THIS NATURE AS BEING IN BEST INTERESTS OF HEALTH COMMUNITY OF IRAN.
- 5. WHILE STAFF COSTS AND OVERHEAD TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE WOULD BE REQUIRED, IT IS CONSIDERED THAT THIS SUPPORT WOULD INSURE ABILITY TO ATTRACT QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS.
- 6. IF EITHER MINISTRY OF HEALTH OR WELFARE FOUNDATION WILLING TO CONSIDER THIS APPROACH, THEY SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED INVITE PERSON WITH AUTHORITY FROM APPROPRIATE ASSOCIATION TO SEE AT FIRSTHAND LOCAL CONDITIONS: E.G., HOUSING, SCHOOLING, ETC., AS WELL AS NEGOTIATE CONTRACT TO PROVIDE FULL RECRUITMENT AND, IF REQUIRED, PROCESSING SERVICE.

DHEW WILLING TO ASSIST IN IMPLEMENTING THESE UNCLASSIFIED

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